FISCAL NOTE

SB 3113 - HB 3249

March 26, 2006

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Department of Education to establish, administer and monitor a system of competitive grants for eligible organizations providing pilot after-school educational programs to fund six pilot programs established for the purpose of increasing at-risk students' performance on the ACT and SAT examinations. Such pilots shall be funded with net lottery proceeds. The Commissioner of Education is required to report its findings concerning the pilot once a year to the Governor, the Speakers of the House and Senate and the Education Committees.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant/Lottery for Education Account

Assumptions:

- The Department of Education has funded after school programs for 90 agencies with approximately 150 sites with 50% of unclaimed prize winnings (\$8,900,000 in FY05-06).
- According to the department, selection criteria could be modified or added to the current application process to identify six sites for the recommended pilot project.
- Some of the existing grant projects are providing approximate services to those proposed in this bill.
- Any cost to the Department of Education to make these changes in criteria to add the six sites or to prepare and distribute a report on these pilots can be handled without the need for additional resources.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director